

JURY'S PLEA BASIS OF WILKINS PLEA

Prisoner's Counsel Believes It
Indicates Doubt on Part
of Some.

VERDICT IS "REVERSIBLE"

Wyong Says Prisoner's Con-
dition Limits Life Probably
to Year or Two.

The recommendation to mercy made by the jury which convicted Dr. Walter K. Wilkins of the murder of his wife at Long Beach last February is relied on by his lawyers as the strongest point they will have in going to the Court of Appeals and asking for a new trial.

In their opinion the action of the jury in finding a verdict of first degree murder and recommending at the same time that the court extend clemency to the defendant indicates that there must have been in the minds of some of the jurors a doubt of the guilt of Dr. Wilkins. One of the counsel, Charles Whitehouse, said yesterday:

"It makes no difference if the doubt rested in the mind of only one man of the twelve who adjudged Dr. Wilkins guilty of murder. The law requires that a person accused of crime must have the benefit of a reasonable doubt and defines reasonable doubt as one which remains in the mind after a juror has weighed upon all the resources of his powers of reason—a doubt in other words which remains despite the exercise of logic to remove it."

"There cannot of course be any question but that the jurymen who had Dr. Wilkins' case used their reasoning powers. They deliberated for twenty-two hours and argued and reasoned the case from every possible angle. And then they came into court and recommended that Dr. Wilkins be dealt with mercifully, although Justice McLaughlin charged them that if they believed Dr. Wilkins had committed the crime of which he was accused after premeditation, it was their duty to find him guilty."

"Their verdict expresses clearly that at least one of them—I know there was more than one, but one is sufficient—entertained a doubt of Dr. Wilkins' guilt, which makes the verdict reversible from another angle of the law, because the law requires that a verdict must be unanimous. There can be no unanimity where any one of twelve men is not absolutely convinced that the man whom he has adjudged guilty of murder actually premeditated that murder."

Charles N. Wyong, trial counsel in the case, was greatly disappointed by the verdict, for he is thoroughly convinced of Dr. Wilkins' innocence. He said yesterday that while he did not believe that Dr. Wilkins would in the ordinary course of the law ever go to the electric chair, he was convinced that the man's bodily condition would end his life within a year or two. Dr. Wilkins has a "bad" heart and has suffered from an affection of the kidneys for many years.

He had a brief spell of depression yesterday, but in the main was cheerful. The jurors who have him in charge are a remarkable person in several respects. He appears to have neither nerves nor imagination, and while the jury which was considering his case was deliberating in a room right above him he read a newspaper, ate a hearty meal and then composed himself to sleep. He was the only person in the court room who showed no trace of agitation when the verdict against him was announced.

The ground upon which, principally, Dr. Wilkins' counsel will ask that the verdict against him be reversed is sharply illustrative of that axiom of the law which proclaims that no case is lost until it is lost. The words "with a recommendation to mercy" were the last words uttered in the case.

Dr. Wilkins wrote yesterday the following statement:

"The verdict the jury rendered certainly was unexpected and stunned me. I was placed in a room Thursday night, all night, with a lot of beds relieved every two hours. The room was directly under the jury room. It was a high posted room with an eighteen foot ceiling. The noise of angry voices that reached us—threatening and calling of foul names—was plainly heard. The guards all said that they never before heard such a riot going on in a jury room. The jumping or falling on the floor would shake the ceiling.

"When the jury returned to the courtroom one of the Jurors addressed Judge Manning, saying that he wished to report an occurrence in the juryroom. The judge said that he did not care to hear anything that occurred in the juryroom. I think this was an error of judgment. I think this man would have stated that he was assaulted by another juror for disagreeing with him. It was undoubtedly true that physically strong jurors were intimidating weaker jurors by threatening them and threatening them for disagreeing with them.

"This violent language that was so plainly heard in the room below clearly indicated this fact. The guard called my attention to a window in the corridor way off in the south wing, with a lot of heads of soldiers looking up toward the juryroom who were attracted by the loud noises coming from the jury.

"Considering all the underhand detective work having been done in this case it would seem an error of judgment to allow the jurors to roam wherever they

pleased on two different weeks from Friday noon to Monday morning at 10 o'clock. In a case where a human life was at stake that jury should have been put under a guard all the time. It looked inconsistent that if a jury had a ten minutes recess to go to the dressing room an officer should be detailed to accompany him. Their lines were allowed to roam around two and a half days alone wherever he chose, coming in contact with detectives or anybody.

"The verdict was an erroneous one and an innocent man has been convicted. Mrs. Wilkins was my devoted companion, my nurse and financial backer. She was in vigorous health, ten years younger than I. I handled the property as if it were my own. It could not have been more so if it was in my name actually. The I know she would outlive me. I never thought or cared what future disposition she would make of it. No man was more considerate or devoted to his wife than I was to hers. I needed her more than she did me, as I am a semi-invalid."

ENEMY TRADING ACT REPEAL IS SOUGHT

Wilson to Be Asked to Drop
Bar That Hinders
Business.

Special Despatch to The Sun.
WASHINGTON, June 28.—With the peace treaty now signed there is a strong movement throughout the country in favor of resuming commercial relations along pre-war lines. The State Department already is being bombarded with inquiries and the Senate is understood to be ready to demand that American trade be not handicapped by the fact that there must necessarily be some delay before ratification. The point will be made that the signing of the treaty has brought peace so far as the signing of any paper can bring it and that the recuperation of impoverished Europe will be helped and not retarded by speedy and practical action by the Government of the United States.

As a practical step toward restoring commercial relations President Wilson is going to be asked to repeal the trading with the enemy act without delay. By passing this point Senators are said to believe that they can at once bring down the bars so far as American trade is concerned without awaiting formal ratification.

The President's position on this score is not known, but there is keen interest in the stand he will take, because if he repeals the act and lets down the bars he will be removing one of the clubs he holds over the Senate, but if he delays he will admit that he is in the embarrassing position of being responsible for the loss of millions to American trade. It is furthermore contended by Republicans that the President cannot assume that the act is not going to be ratified and that therefore he should offer aid to American trade by taking action without awaiting the formality of ratification.

The State Department on its own initiative already is removing all possible restrictions to American business houses in the matter of passports, etc. Agents are being allowed to go to Europe, and even to Germany, if they have valid reasons. A small army of American business men has already left, and it is understood now to be in neutral countries contiguous to Germany. It is announced that all facilities are to be extended to American business men to resume trade.

The signing of the peace pact is regarded as putting the world on a peace basis except insofar as Russia is concerned. This is still the unsolved problem, and leaves approximately one-sixth of the world at war despite the signing of the treaty. By analysis of the situation in this connection the deduction might easily be reached that there is a series of wars now going on; but officials do not take cognizance of this. They say that the peace restored in Russia the world to all intents and purposes will be on a normal peace footing again.

FLEETS TO SPLIT TUESDAY.

Impressive Ceremonies Planned
When Mayo Takes Command.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Actual division of the United States fleet into Atlantic and Pacific forces will begin next Tuesday at New York, when Admiral Hugh Rodman, as commander in chief of the Pacific fleet, will hoist his flag on the superdreadnought New Mexico. Immediately afterward the battleships, destroyers and auxiliaries assigned to his command will start moving to Hampton Roads for concentration before starting for San Francisco about July 17.

Admiral Henry T. Mayo, who became commander in chief of the fleet before the United States entered the war, will lower his flag from the Pennsylvania at New York next Monday. Immediately afterward Admiral Henry B. Wilson, the new commander of the Atlantic fleet, will raise his flag. Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations, will go to New York to witness the transfer of commands and to thank Admiral Mayo on behalf of Secretary Daniels for his splendid record as commander in chief of the Atlantic naval forces. The transfer of flags will be attended by impressive ceremonies, with the greater part of the Atlantic fleet assembled in the Hudson River.

\$25,000,000 Voted for Aviation.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Funds for naval aviation for 1920 were fixed today at \$25,000,000 under a compromise agreement reached by House and Senate conferees. The House voted \$15,000,000, but the Senate increased this sum to the \$25,000,000 asked for by Secretary Daniels.

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8x10	16.00 to 22.50	12.75 to 18.00
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9x12	24.00 to 30.00	19.25 to 24.00

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